



US EQUESTRIAN NATIONAL YOUTH SPORTSMAN'S AWARD

APPLICATION FOR CONSIDERATION

The primary goals of the US Equestrian National Youth Sportsman's Award are to identify potential future leaders in the equine industry and to recognize youth for their achievements. Applicants must be 17 years of age or younger as of December 1 (the start of the current competition year) and active members in good standing with US Equestrian and a US Equestrian Recognized National Affiliate Association or International Discipline Association. They should demonstrate ongoing commitment to the promotion of equestrian sport, serve as positive role models for their peers, be involved in community activities and exhibit characteristics that exemplify positive sportsmanship principles. Applicants may participate at any level of competition, including local, regional or national events.

The overall US Equestrian National Youth Sportsman's Award winner will receive a trophy, and a \$1,000 grant to be paid to an educational program. The Overall Reserve Winner will receive a \$500 educational grant

SEND THE COMPLETED APPLICATION ALONG WITH THE REST OF YOUR SUBMISSIONS TO YOUR USEF RECOGNIZED NATIONAL AFFILIATE ASSOCIATION

** Individuals will not be considered unless all of the following paperwork and requirements are completed and submitted to USEF through the Affiliate.*

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name: _____ US Equestrian Membership #: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____ Birth Date: _____

Name of US Equestrian Recognized National Affiliate Association: _____

Membership #: _____

The information contained in this application is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge, and I have composed my own essays. I understand and agree that applications which are incomplete will not be considered.

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

SCHOLASTIC INFORMATION

Submit an official school transcript (certified by the school) detailing the past year of school. Please include an explanation of academic scoring if other than A, B, C or 100% system.

Class rank _____ out of _____ GPA on a _____ point scale

REQUIRED MATERIAL

In order to highlight your involvement within the equine industry, please submit a resume detailing your activities within the community, time served as a volunteer and/or peer role model, and actions you have taken to help promote equestrian sport. Your resume may be more than one page, but do not exceed two (2) pages.

Required Material:

1. Equine-related activities: include any involvement with your US Equestrian Recognized National Affiliate Association or International Discipline Association and/or US Equestrian and any other organization such as 4H or the FFA.
2. Equestrian awards or honors you have received: A complete listing of competition wins is discouraged.
3. Extracurricular activities, including school clubs, community service, or involvement with volunteer organizations.
4. Academic awards or honors that you have received.
5. In a separate section on your resume, use a short paragraph to briefly explain your future career goals.

A small number of selected finalists are required to participate in a video conference interview with the US Equestrian selection team.

REQUIRED REFERENCES

Three signed letters of reference (as indicated below) are required. **Please do not include more than three** . They must be from adults (18 or over) who are not members of your family. Letters of reference should include observations of qualities, attributes and achievements that qualify you for the award.

1. One letter of reference from an educational professional (principal, advisor or teacher).
2. One letter of reference from someone qualified to comment on your equine-related activities (trainer, instructor, officer/director of horse organization, club leader, etc.).
3. One letter of reference from someone outside of the equestrian community.

PARENT/GUARDIAN

The parent/guardian of the applicant acknowledges that US Equestrian has the sole right to control, sell, supervise, or give away (or to assign to others the right to do so) the exclusive rights to broadcast, televise, reproduce, transmit, and disseminate all or part of this youth program and grants US Equestrian the right to make use of any photographs, films, or video taken of the entry in any way they see fit in the promotion of US Equestrian and equestrian sport. No such advertising or promotional rights shall include the right to use a nominee's name or likeness in any manner which implies endorsement of any company, product, category, or service.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

A RECENT HIGH RESOLUTION PHOTO SUITABLE FOR PUBLICATION IS REQUIRED

If you have any questions, you may contact Samantha Robinson at 859-225-6961 or by email at srobinson@usef.org.
Complete program rules and additional forms are available on usef.org.